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Our Core Value: Guarding the family because God designed it as the foundation of society.

Application Questions - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.

1. Read Genesis 2:18-20. What "problem" is seen after Adam was created? What did God do, and what did it show?

How would you define helper suitable?

Have you experienced some "not good aloneness"? (Whether you're married or not). What did you try to help? Did it help?

2. According to Genesis 2:21-23, what did God do to meet Adam's need? How do we know it was to meet his need?

What does this teach us about the differences between men and women?

What are some of the right and wrong responses you have seen toward the differences between men and women? What are or have been some of your thoughts, words, or actions concerning the differences?

3. Read Genesis 2:24-25. What three parts to marriage are given in verse 24 and what does each mean?

Verse 24 begins, "For this reason." What is the reason for marriage?

This passage shows the importance of marriage and family. Our culture is moving away from this as a value. What are or can you do to support the importance of God's design for the family? (Demonstrate grace rather than condemnation.)

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